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SUBJECT: FOLLOW-UP TO AECB/RCMP SANDIA MEETING

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1. BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. EMBASSY SCICOUNS MET APRIL 30 WITH CANADIAN OFFICIALS WHO HAD ATTENDED RECENT MEETING AND BRIEFING AT SANDIA. GROUP WAS AUGMENTED FOR FIRST TIME BY INCLUSION OF FLETCHER OF ATOMIC ENERGY OF CANADA LIMITED (AECL) WHO HAS BEEN ASSIGNED RESPONSIBILITY FOR OVERSEEING DOMESTIC SECURITY IN AECL OPERATIONS.

2. AFTER EXPRESSING AGAIN APPRECIATION FOR EXCELLENT MEETING AT SANDIA, FOLLOWING FOLLOW-UP POINTS WERE DISCUSSED:
A. RCMP AND ATOMIC ENERGY CONTROL BOARD (AECB) WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING IF IT IS POSSIBLE TO OBTAIN COPIES OF THE FOLLOWING REPORTS: (1) SECURITY EQUIPMENT CATALOG GIVING STANDARDS AND TESTING PROCEDURES APPLICABLE TO VARIOUS PIECES OF SECURITY EQUIPMENT; (2) COPY OF REPORT DETAILING EXPERIENCE WITH PRIVATE
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AND CONTRACT GUARD FORCES WHEN IT IS AVAILABLE; (3) COPIES OF

REPORT ON MINIMUM GUARD REQUIREMENTS. THERE MAY BE ADDITIONAL REQUESTS IN DUE COURSE FOR STUDIES AND REPORTS REFERRED TO IN THE MEETING.

B. RCMP IS CONSIDERING REQUEST FOR ONE OR MORE TECHNICAL EXPERTS FROM THE FORCE TO VISIT SANDIA AND/OR APPROPRIATE CONTRACTOR SITES FOR LONGER PERIODS OF TIME, E.G., ONE WEEK TO A MONTH OR MORE, FOR PURPOSE OF GAINING BETTER WORKING-LEVEL FAMILIARITY WITH MATERIAL DISCUSSED AT SANDIA MEETING. TWO SPECIFIC AREAS WERE IDENTIFIED: ONE, HARDWARE, AND THE OTHER RISK ANALYSIS STUDY.

C. OFFICER IN CHARGE OF SECURITY OPERATIONS, AECB, EXPRESSED INTEREST IN KNOWING IF IT WOULD BE FEASIBLE FOR HIM TO ACCOMPANY US SECURITY INSPECTORS ON ONE OR TWO INSPECTIONS OF TYPICAL LICENSEE OPERATIONS AS DISTINCT FROM GOVERNMENT CONTRACTOR OPERATIONS. FUEL FABRICATION FACILITIES AND CHEMICAL REPROCESSING WOULD BE OF SPECIAL INTEREST. END LIMITED OFFICIAL USE.

3. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL. CANADIAN OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN CONSIDERING IN MORE DETAIL UTILIZATION OF PRIVATE AND CONTRACT GUARDS. THEY BELIEVE SOME LITERATURE EXISTS IN CANADA AS A RESULT OF PRIVATE AND UNIVERSITY STUDIES ON THE RELIABILITY AND SUSCEPTIBILITY TO SUBVERSION OF COMMERCIALLY AVAILABLE SECURITY ORGANIZATIONS. AFTER REVIEWING THIS INFORMATION, COPIES OF WHICH WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO US, THEY MAY REPEAT MAY DECIDE TO DO IN-HOUSE STUDY TO EVALUATE THESE FACTORS IN CANADA, INASMUCH AS MANY OF THE FIRMS OFFERING SECURITY SERVICES ALSO OPERATE IN THE US, THE RESULTS OF THIS STUDY, IF DONE, WILL LIKEWISE BE AVAILABLE TO US. END CONFIDENTIAL.

4. BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. PROPOSED FALL FOLLOW-UP MEETING IN CANADA WHICH HAS BEEN DISCUSSED PREVIOUSLY WAS AGAIN BROUGHT UP. AT THIS TIME, AECB AND THE RCMP WISHED TO FORMALLY CONFIRM INVITATION TO AMERICAN COUNTERPARTS TO ATTEND MEETING IN CANADA IN THE FALL AFTER SCHOOL HAS STARTED AND VACATIONS ARE OVER, I.E., SEPTEMBER OR OCTOBER. DETAILED AGENDA NOT YET WORKED OUT BUT AMERICAN ATTENDEES SHOULD PLAN ON ONE DAY IN OTTAWA PRIMARILY ON POLICY MATTERS AND ONE OR TWO DAYS AT NUCLEAR SITES, PROBABLY IN THE TORONTO AREA, TO VIEW ACTUAL SECURITY PROCEDURES IN OPERATION. END LIMITED OFFICIAL USE.

5. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL. AS DEPT AND ERDA AWARE, AECB, AECL AND CONFIDENTIAL

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ONTARIO HYDRO ARE DEEPLY INVOLVED WITH TRUST PROGRAM ACTIVITIES CONNECTED WITH IAEA SAFEGUARDS. ALTHOUGH RECOGNIZING THAT DOMESTIC AND BILATERAL SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS ARE RELATED TO THE BROADER SAFEGUARDS ISSUES, IT WAS FIRM CONSENSUS OF GROUP THAT CANADIAN-AMERICAN COOPERATION IN THIS AREA, FOR PURPOSES OF MUTUAL SECURITY, SHOULD BE KEPT CLEARLY SEPARATED FROM CANADIAN-AMERICAN COOPERATION WITH AGENCY IN BROADER SAFEGUARDS CONTEXT. FOR THIS REASON, PROPOSED FALL MEETING SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT BE

SCHEDULED AT A TIME WHEN IAEA PERSONNEL WILL BE AT PICKERING OR
OTHER CANADIAN INSTALLATIONS WHICH MAY BE VISITED.END CONFIDENTIAL.

6. BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. ACTIONS REQUESTED:

A. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING AT AN EARLY DATE FOR
TRANSMISSION TO CANADIAN OFFICIALS TWO OR THREE SUGGESTED
DATES IN SEPTEMBER OR OCTOBER FOR PROPOSED MEETING IN CANADA.
B. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECAIATE DEPT'S COODINATING DATES SUGGESTED
FOR METINGIN CANADA IN ORDER TO ASSURE THAT THEY DO NO REPEAT
NOT CONFLICT OR COINCIDE WITH PROPOSED STEVER-MSST VISIT IN
SEPTEMBER.
C. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE REPORTS REQUESTED BY CANADIANS,AS
DETAILED ABOVE, BEING TRANSMITTED TO AECB, ATTENTION OF MR.
JOHN EWASHKO (EMBASSY DESIRES ONLY COPY OF TRANSMITTAL LETTERS
IN ORDER TO BE AWARE THAT REPORTS HAVE BEEN FORWARDED).
D. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE EARLY CONFIRMATION OF
FEASIBILITY OF RCMP VISITS ON SPECIALIZED ITEMS AS NOTED ABOVE.
E. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIAE EARLY INDICATION OF FEASIBILITY
OF AECB OFFICIAL(S) ACCOMPANYING US SECURITY INSPECTORS N
INSPECTION VISIT TO LICENSEE FACILITIES, AS OUTLINED ABOVE.
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